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LISTING OF CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1-6 (CANCELLED)

7. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A biasing element comprising:
a center section having a length, said center section including a base opposite an insertion opening, said insertion opening extending said length;
a center opening defined by said center section and including said insertion opening;
a pair of legs disposed on each side of said center section, each of said legs defining a cavity having an open side and wherein each of said center opening, said insertion opening and said open sides face the same direction and wherein said open sides and said insertion opening are each located on an insertion side.

8. (CANCELLED)

9. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The biasing element of claim 7 wherein said center section further defines a pair of side walls extending from said base, and wherein each of said side walls further include engagement detents.

10. (ORIGINAL) The biasing element of claim 9 wherein said detents are opposing arcuate segments defined by said side walls.

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11. (ORIGINAL) The biasing element of claim 9 wherein said center section includes a side opening in each of the side walls, said openings further defining said cavities.

Claims 12-16 (CANCELLED)

17. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The biasing element of claim 7 wherein said center section includes a pair of side walls extending between said base and said legs and wherein said legs and said side walls meet at said insertion side.

18. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The biasing element of claim 17 wherein said center opening further includes pinion shaft openings defined by said center section and said side walls, said pinion shaft openings being located adjacent to said insertion opening.

19. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The biasing element of claim 17 wherein said legs extend away from said insertion side.

20. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The biasing element of claim 7 wherein said legs include leg ends and wherein said leg ends are opposite said insertion side.

21. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The biasing element of claim 7 wherein said legs include leg ends and wherein said leg ends are on the same side as said base.

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22. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The biasing element of claim 7 wherein said insertion opening is capable of receiving a pinion shaft.

23. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A biasing element comprising:
a center section having a length, said center section defining a center opening and wherein said center opening includes an insertion opening extending said length;
a pair of legs disposed on each side of said center section, each of said legs defining a cavity having an open side and wherein each of said insertion opening and said open sides face the same direction and wherein said center opening is capable of receiving a pin inserted through said insertion opening.

24. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The biasing element of claim 23 wherein said insertion opening is capable of receiving a pinion shaft.